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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

AKIO NAKASHIMA, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/961,425

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For: WATER-METACHROMATIC  
LAMINATE, AND PROCESS  
FOR ITS PRODUCTION

Examiner: Tamra L. Dicus

Group Art Unit: 1774

September 30, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE

Sir:

Applicants respond to the Office Action dated July 1, 2004 (Paper No./Mail Date 20050625), in the above-identified application as follows: